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Subpart A—General**§ 47.1 Applicability.**

This part prescribes the requirements for registering aircraft under section 501 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1401). Subpart B applies to

each applicant for, and holder of, a Certificate of Aircraft Registration. Subpart C applies to each applicant for, and holder of, a Dealers' Aircraft Registration Certificate.

§ 47.2 Definitions.

The following are definitions of terms used in this part:

Act means the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. section 1301 *et seq.*).

Resident alien means an individual citizen of a foreign country lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States as an immigrant in conformity with the regulations of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice (8 CFR Chapter 1).

U.S. citizen means one of the following:

- (1) An individual who is a citizen of the United States or one of its possessions.
- (2) A partnership of which each member is such an individual.

- (3) A corporation or association created or organized under the laws of the United States or of any State, Territory, or possession of the United States, of which the president and two-thirds or more of the board of directors and other managing officers thereof are such individuals and in which at least 75 percent of the voting interest is owned or controlled by persons who are citizens of the United States or of one of its possessions.

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§ 47.3 Registration required.

(a) Section 501(b) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1401 (b)) defines eligibility for registration as follows:

(b) An aircraft shall be eligible for registration if, but only if—

(1)(A) it is—

- (i) owned by a citizen of the United States or by an individual citizen of a foreign country who has lawfully been admitted for permanent residence in the United States; or
- (ii) owned by a corporation (other than a corporation which is a citizen of the United States) lawfully organized and doing business under the laws of the United States or any State thereof so long as such aircraft is based and primarily used in the United States; and